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In re application of:

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Preliminary Statement

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Sir:

It is requested that the following preliminary statement be considered by the Examiner prior to examination:

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